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**Re: International Application No.: PCT/GB98/02630
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Title: CHIMERIC BINDING PEPTIDE LIBRARY SCREENING METHOD**

Dear Sirs:

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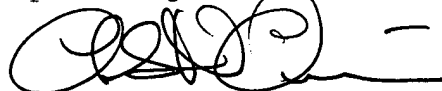
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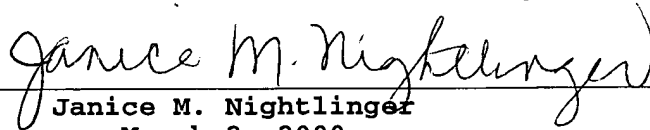
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